

JEFFERSON

CITY NOTES

The Intelligencer Correspondent Finds Many Items of Interest.

A House bill abolishes country hunters' licenses and raises the state license from \$3 to \$10. This bill, if passed will permit hunting within the county in which a person lives. The revenue of that state game department is now derived largely from county licenses, and will be materially crippled should this bill pass.

The Senate bill abolishing the State Capitol Commission has been ordered engrossed.

The House has passed the St. Louis "home rule" bill. The vote was 100 for to 14 against. It is understood the legality of the matter will be tested in the supreme court.

The Public Service Commission or "utility" bill becomes operative April 15. Governor Major will name the five commissioners to have charge of enforcing same April 1. Each commissioner will receive a salary of \$5,500 annually, and the attorney \$4,500. It will be an expensive measure, the annual cost thereof being estimated at \$200,000 annually.

Dr. Bondurant Hughes of Keytesville has been slated for Superintendent of the State Tuberculosis Sanitarium at Mt. Vernon.

The bill increasing the salaries of court stenographers has been effectually killed and will not be revived.

This legislature will not pass a "Jim Crow" bill. The House committee on railroads killed the bill offered by Representative Mills. The committee held that this matter will be looked after in accordance with the provisions of the newly created public service commission.

A bill passed by the Senate compels corporations dismissing employees to pay them all wages due at the time of dis-

Alcohol In Pe-ru-na- An Unjust Criticism



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Having a little business in one of the federal offices of the city, after it was finished I fell in conversation with the official in charge concerning Peruna. I mention his business to show that the conversation was conducted with a man of more than ordinary intelligence, being a employee of the government who had passed through several civil service examinations. He said to me, not knowing who I was: "I think a great deal of this patent medicine business ought to be stopped. Especially such remedies as Peruna. Peruna, as you know, is a stimulant and contains eighteen or twenty per cent of alcohol. People take it without knowing what it is, and such remedies ought to be prohibited by law. My own mother took Peruna once. She had a cough, night sweats, was growing emaciated and weak. Several doctors examined her. The opinion was expressed several times that she was going into consumption. One thought it was chronic bronchitis. At any rate, her condition was quite serious. She was unable to get any relief from the doctors she consulted, although she took their medicines faithfully for nearly a year. Some one told her about Peruna, and against my wish and against the wishes of our family, she began taking it. At once she improved, and in less than six months she apparently was well. We did all we could to discourage her in taking Peruna, but she persisted. It finally came out in the magazines that Peruna contained alcohol. Then we knew at once what it was that benefited my mother, it was simply the alcohol that Peruna contained. We had the laugh on mother. We have not ceased to make fun of her yet about her being cured with a dilution of alcohol. She seems to be embarrassed by it."

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missal. A failure to pay in full within seven days gives the dismissed party a legal claim to his wages for 60 days.

There have been 1,500 bills introduced this session. It is conceded that 1,200 or more of this number will be killed, and already a large number have been killed by committees, and many of them reported favorably will be defeated on engrossment.

Four important educational laws will likely be enacted. The first bill extends the present state aid to weak school districts, the limit of this aid being the need of the district and not the ability to contribute proportion-

our teasing her, but is very stubborn. She says that if she were to be sick in the same way again she would certainly get Peruna and take it, alcohol or no alcohol. So you see if people will persist in such foolishness there ought to be a law to prevent them."

I ventured to interpose a question. "You say the doctors could not cure her, and yet you say Peruna did cure her. What difference does it make to you whether it was alcohol or some other drug that effected the cure?"

"Well, I don't know that it makes any difference, but it is deceiving the people to give them alcohol even though it does cure them," he said.

I replied, "Why, I cannot exactly understand that. Alcohol is a drug, the same as quinine or morphine. If alcohol cures certain diseases where is the deception? I understand that the Peruna people print on the label of each bottle the per cent of alcohol contained in Peruna. Each patient may read it, if he pleases. I cannot see where there is any deception."

"Well, I would not take Peruna," he persisted. "Now, I was sick, I had a stomach disease. A violent pain, that would come on about an hour or two after each meal. It grew worse and worse. I was also constipated. I consulted several doctors in our city about my health. I went to see a prominent specialist in New York City, paid out a great deal of money, but no help. One time I was having a bad spell on the train. The gentleman who occupied the next seat was a retired physician with whom I had been acquainted. He said to me, 'My friend, if you want to get well I would advise you to take a glass of lager beer before each meal. I think that will cure you.' Having followed the directions of several good physicians without any assistance, I thought I would try the beer. In a very short time I found it was helping me, and I got entirely well. My bowels became regular and I had no more pain. No more distress after meals. Now, if my mother had used some remedy like that it would be all right. But to persist in using some secret remedy like Peruna, I think it is outrageous."

Again I ventured to ask some questions. I asked: "What do you suppose it was in the lager beer that effected the cure?"

"Why, I presume it was the stimulant it contained. Yes, no doubt it was the stimulant."

"You know, of course, that the stimulant in beer is alcohol, the same as in wine or whiskey or any other alcoholic drink?"

"Yes, I have heard say that beer contains about five per cent of alcohol."

"That is correct," I replied. "You took a bottle of beer before each meal, did you?"

"Yes."

"In doing so you were drinking a pint of a five per cent solution of alcohol."

"Yes, I suppose so."

"Five per cent would be one-fifth of an ounce. As each bottle contains one ounce of alcohol, you were then taking a little less than an ounce of alcohol before each meal."

"Yes."

"But you objected to your mother's taking alcohol in the Peruna, and yet she was taking far less alcohol than you were. As I understand it, the dose of Peruna is one tablespoonful. Supposing it to be twenty per cent alcohol, there would be in each dose one-fifth of a tablespoonful of alcohol, which would be about half a teaspoonful, while you were taking at least four teaspoonfuls of alcohol in your bottle of beer. And yet you objected to your mother's taking Peruna on the ground that the Peruna contains alcohol. In my opinion it was the alcohol that cured both of you. Your mother evidently was cured of a very serious ailment. Peruna contains alcohol. It was undoubtedly the alcohol that cured her, or at least helped to. The other ingredients of Peruna might have assisted, no doubt did. In your case it was the alcohol in the beer that cured you of the stomach difficulty. Peruna has cured thousands of such cases."

"Well, I declare," he replied, "I never thought of it in that way before. There has been so much said about alcohol being poisonous that I suppose my mind has been prejudiced against it. But if as you say there is also alcohol in beer, the same kind of alcohol as is used in Peruna, I cannot see where the difference is myself."

"Well," I replied, "you have been doing exactly what the average man and woman is doing. You have allowed your mind to become prejudiced against Peruna on account of its containing alcohol. Without stopping to look into the matter at all you have assumed that there is something terribly disreputable about remedies containing alcohol. The fact is, however, that most all fluid medicines, whether prescribed by a doctor or put up as a patent medicine, contain a certain amount of alcohol. It was alcohol that cured your mother. It was alcohol that cured you. In my opinion, alcohol in some form or other is making more cures than all other drugs combined. This is not saying, however, that Peruna contains only alcohol, for it does contain excellent remedies besides alcohol. But I do contend that the alcohol in Peruna is not only not harmful to those who take it, but if taken in the doses prescribed on the bottle it will do a great deal of good and there is not the slightest danger of forming a drug habit." PERUNA IS FOR SALE AT ALL DRUG STORES.

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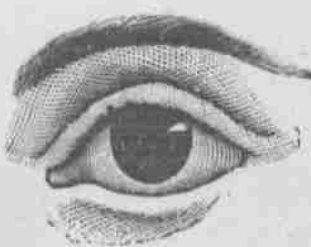
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ately. The second purpose to aid weak high schools from the State fund. The third provide for teacher training in high schools, and the fourth aims to create a workable plan for the consolidation of rural schools with state aid to encourage it. So far little has been done in this direction in Missouri, although several other states have adopted the plan. The aid is conditioned upon the instructions in agriculture in the consolidated schools.

A bill has been introduced looking to the installation of a plant at the penitentiary to manufacture brick for the use of the State. The cost of the machinery and kilns is placed at \$47,000. The plant would furnish employment to about 125 convicts, who would turn out 75,000 bricks a day at a cost of \$5 a thousand. With 600 convicts at work on the roads of the state, 125 in the brick factory and about 400 in the ice, twine and electric plants, about half of the convicts would be employed.

There is a great dissatisfaction over the passage of the public service commission or Utility bill. Further opposition will be shown by circulating petitions to get a vote on the measure at the 1914 election under the initiative.

The administration immigration bill was killed in the House. This leaves the old law standing, but the move is to make it inoperative by making no appropriation therefor.

J. B. Hereford of Odessa, has been re-appointed a member of the board of managers of State hospital No. 1, at Fulton. A most excellent appointment, and Gov. Major did well in naming this most efficient democrat.

Senator Crossley's bill for the

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

to be employed only 8 hours a day. The prison authorities may make future provisions for employing one-fourth of the convicts upon the public highways and a limited number in the manufacture of school furniture. There is also a provision under which the prison officials may find still other occupations for employing the prisoners, but does not specify them. Contracts are lengthened two years from Dec. 31, 1913.

Representative Orr has introduced a bill creating a state printing department so the state can print school books at cost. The bill carries a \$125,000 appropriation.

A four hour debate in the house sent to engrossment a bill creating a state text book commission of nine to supply Missouri with a uniform system of text books. A similar bill has been sent to engrossment in the Senate. The commission, if the bill becomes a law, will be appointed by Governor Major. It will begin its work July 1.

The public service commission bill has passed both houses. This was agreed on in caucus, but two democrats refused to abide